



# YILGARNIA WINES

## Vintage Report 2012

The 2012 vintage started in early March, which is about our average time for harvesting our white grapes. The red grape harvest was in late April. The winter was wet and mild, but the latter half of spring was dry. The early summer was unseasonably wet resulting in higher soil moisture. The season then became very dry and warm with above average temperatures. Birds then became very active and hungry. As the Red Gum Tree flowering as later than normal it became necessary to net the whole vineyard to protect the fruit. The early humid conditions made managing the vineyard difficult. However, the dry latter half of summer and good management programs resulted in clean, rip and well balanced fruit. The fruit cropped an average of 4 tonne per hectare.



Netting for birds 2012